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AN ESTHETIC BOOZE-FIGHTER.

Elbert Hubbard says Americans are less intellectual than Germans; it is a noteworthy fact that every time Elbert has taken on a load of Limburger cheese and Budweiser beer of late he has invariably had a kind word for the nation that invented them.—Lexington Herald.

THE PROBLEM.

In the last Mexican War the United States employed about 27,000 regular troops and some 57,000 volunteers. The loss in battle or from wounds received was 1,400 privates and 120 officers, but disability carried off 10,800 men. Besides there were more than 12,000 discharged for disability or by order, many of whom were really inviolable home, and not a few of them died from wounds received or disease contracted in the campaign.

We have greatly improved our military sanitation, yet in a foreign unhealthy country, without the time and chance to plan for health, undoubtedly the greatest danger is from disease. This is the problem that must be faced no matter there is to be an invasion of Mexico.—New York Herald.

HIGH COST OF LITIGATION.

Twenty-five years ago Brother-in-law Patrick J. McArdle shook his head at Brother-in-law Michael Donnelly. "You don't trust me, Mike," said he. "It is so. You do not. Two years we've been in business together, and you have the cold feeling towards me entirely."

To prove that he did trust McArdle Donnelly gave a bill of sale for his half of the ironmongery business. Shortly afterward the litigation began. There have been other suits which equal it—there was the case of Jarndyce vs. Jarndyce, you'll recall—but there have been no other suits of the sort in these parts. In twenty-three years the case of Donnelly vs. McArdle has used up \$186,000 of Donnelly's money, and in the seven trials ninety-three lawyers, forty-eight judges and 243 witnesses have figured. It became a postgraduate course for pup lawyers. The other day Donnelly got judgment for \$50,000. But that doesn't end the case. "By no means," said Donnelly. "I've got McArdle. Now I'm going to sue some of his friends."—New York Cor. Times-Star.

SOCIALIST SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Lately The Sun reported the proceedings of a Socialist Sunday School. There are sixteen such in New York City. The method adopted by the teachers, who "only want to make the children think," is to put parables before them. In one the parables a great giant is represented doing of harm to a lot of people and O! at last the giant is killed as he deserves to be. Then the teacher cunningly holds up the Capitalist as a giant who oppresses the laboring man. What ought to be done to the giant Capitalist, asks the teacher, all answer promptly: "Kill the giant." What is the matter with our fundamental law these scoundrel anarchists are allowed thus to teach the little ones to hate and to murder their fellow man, queries the Live Issue. Why is it that a Heywood or a Goldman can receive the flag and prompt others to do likewise? We get on every hand thoughtless people who say, let them alone, they can do no harm. We must have liberty of speech and liberty of the press at all costs. Voltaire, the French infidel, knew better. "Lie, lie," he wrote, "some of it will stick."

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A Chicago man, Mayor of the Mexican city of Vera Cruz, has the right ring. Verily the Stars and Stripes are there to stay.

"Will you please explain why the income tax was necessary?" asks a correspondent. The income tax was imposed to offset the loss of revenue resulting from cutting down the Tariff. The Tariff was cut down to reduce the high cost of living. The high cost of living has not come down. So in reality the income tax is simply a part of the price the people are paying for their blunder in placing the Democratic party in power—a small part.—Kansas City Journal.

THE NEWSPAPER WRITER.

To report or to write well for a newspaper, one must be broad, well-informed, tolerant, just, fair, open-minded and magnetic, responsive and sympathetic. These, tolerance, broadness, fairness and the rest, says the National Printer-Journalist, must be cultivated to a high degree. Acceptable newspaper reporting cannot be done by a lifeless machine, unless where reports are verbatim as of important speeches. Newspaper reporting and newspaper writing are more like conversation about things heard or seen, than anything else. A good conversationalist ought, with practice, to make the best kind of a newspaper reporter or writer and vice versa.—Exchange.

TIPS FROM TEXAS.

(Dallas News.)

As a general thing, if a fat man has a good place to eat and sleep he doesn't care much if nobody loves him.

Talk is cheap, and sometimes it looks like the cheapest men do the most talking.

If some of the new style skirts had to be worn with a bustle they wouldn't reach to the wearer's knees.

Our idea of a Weak Sister is one who divides her salary with her brother, so he can belong to clubs. There are various opinions concerning Rev. Billy Sunday, but nobody believes he would make much of a hit at a tea pouring.



THE DAILY NOVELLETTE.

Romeo's Ruin.

When the oranges are falling,
 And the plums are nice and ripe;
 I will marry you, dear darling,
 And we'll live on soup and tripe.

"Pardon me," said Romeo Snoozer, "but won't you accept part of my umbrella? This rain is getting very wet." (He had been standing under an awning for the last hour looking for just such an opportunity.)

"Certainly," said the beautiful girl at once. "I generally use my brother's umbrella, but it has been stolen. This is the first time I ever allowed a perfect stranger to take such a liberty."

"I'm glad you consider me perfect," said Romeo with a slight blush.

"Oh," she returned, "that's just a phrase. But I am very much struck with your appearance. Would you consider me bold if I asked where you live?"

"Not at all; not at all!" cried Romeo. Spriddles avenue, second door from the center. Here's one of my cards. Call me up some time."

She said she'd think it over, and she was very nice all the way to her home (she was really a beauty), although Snoozer was rather disappointed when she did not ask him to step in.

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The first thing she did when she got home was to run to the telephone.

"Hello! Is that you, Tom?" she said when she had gotten her brother's office. "You know that umbrella of yours with the X-ray handle that was stolen last week? Well, a man named Romeo Snoozer has it. He lives on Spriddles avenue, second door from the center. You might stop there on your way home, with a policeman."

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GAURGH NOTES

A general observance of Peace Sunday, May 17, is asked of all Protestant churches in America by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

At the recent meeting of the National Free Church Council of England the Rev. J. H. Shakespeare, one of the Baptist leaders of Great Britain, urged the federation of all nonconformist bodies in that country and the election of Free Church bishops.

The Methodist Episcopal Church has 129 annual conferences, 105 of these being in the United States. In addition to these, there are twenty-eight missions and mission conferences.

The Roman Catholic Church is to spend \$250,000 in a reproduction of St. Peter's Cathedral, Rome, at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

The last census of Australia shows that there are in that country 1,710,443 members of the Church of England, 921,425 Roman Catholics, 558,236 Presbyterians and 547,806 Methodists.

According to the American Bible Society, 35,000,000 volumes of the Scriptures have been sent to China since Bibles began to be distributed systematically in that country.

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ATTENTION, MEXICAN VETERANS

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All veterans of the Mexican War, their wives, sons and daughters, and widows of the Veterans are cordially requested to attend this reunion.

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The National Association was organized at Washington, D. C., in 1873, and the Ohio Association was organized at Dayton in 1874.

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